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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 10 with the following amended paragraph:

A search engine is Web-enabled software that receives search terms, i.e., a query, from a user and identifies documents, i.e., web pages, on the Web that [[is]] are otherwise associated with, the search terms. The documents are typically identified by uniform resource locators ("URLs") that are links to their content.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 7 with the following amended paragraph:

The fragments are inflated by the context in which the text inputted by the user arrived, e.g., a previous query, if any, that was inputted and/or a content of a web page in which the user text was entered. The inflation is [[preformed]] performed by selectively merging state information provided by a session service with a meaning representation for the current query. The selective merging is configurable based on rules that specify which pieces of state information from the session service should be merged into the current meaning representation and which pieces should be overridden or masked by the current meaning representation.